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In re application : Richard H. Morrison, et al.  
 Application No. : 09/844,251  
 Filed : April 27, 2001  
 Confirmation No. : METHOD OF PREPARING ELECTRICAL CONTACTS USED IN  
                   SWITCHES  
 For : 8919  
 Examiner : H. Jey Tsai  
 Attorney's Docket : NU-541XX

TC Art Unit: 2812

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RESPONSE

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This is in response to the Official Action dated June 30, 2004.

In response to the Examiner's requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 to  
 elect a single disclosed species, Applicant provisionally elects the  
 second species: fluid of dry etching (plasma) materials. Claims 12-15  
 are readable on this second species. Claims 1-5 are considered generic.

This election is made with traverse. It is submitted that all of

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Enclosed for filing please find a response to Election Requirement

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**Entitled: METHOD OF PREPARING ELECTRICAL CONTACTS USED IN SWITCHES**

Transmitted herewith is a response in the above-identified application. The following checked items are applicable:

- [ ] This is a Request for Continued Examination under §1.114; authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of same (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) per §1.17(e).  
 [ ] Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ per §1.116.
- [ ] A Petition for Extension of Time for \_\_\_\_ month is hereby made under §1.136(a); authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of same (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) per §1.17.
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- [ ] Other:

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